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11. (SBU) In response to reftel demarche, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) Senior Adviser for Non-Proliferation Janice Fitchett confirmed that Canada would not pledge any financial support to the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) nuclear fuel bank project by the September deadline, if ever. Fitchett noted that Canada had "not yet opted for any one fuel initiative out there" and that Canadian officials had been aware of NTI project deadlines when they decided against budgeting a contribution in 2008.

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